

important to help them whether they wish to serve at the college level or in some other professional capacity in our areas of great need in the country. These women are from families where in most cases there are quite a number of children, they are the war-baby families, who are expensive to raise. These are one-salary families. The women are very, very conscientious; they would not, for anything in the world, take support from the family budget which would injure the opportunities, as they see them, for their youngsters to have fully the education they deserve. We feel ours is not only pushing ahead to help the colleges and universities, but has been a pilot program to show what can be done with this splendid resource in any part of the country for any highly skilled need.

If I may digress, I think you would be interested in knowing the names of some of the States in which this program operates. It operated on an experimental basis in the 11 Southeastern States, the whole area of the southern accrediting region.

Now it is extended, among others, to California, Minnesota, Illinois, Michigan, Oregon, State of Washington; it exists in the State of Nevada and Texas and this year it has been activated in the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Wisconsin.

One more thing to indicate the need for such support: In the State of California where there are very limited resources for helping, we selected four women to go into the college faculty training program next year. Even for this very limited career opening we had 90 applicants.

Mr. GIBBONS. I think it is a very worthwhile project and I certainly hope you are able to expand it. I think it could lead the way to developing resources that so often go to waste in this country.

Mrs. GREEN. Congressman Erlenborn?

Mr. ERLBORN. No questions.

Mrs. GREEN. My thanks to all three of you. I hope we will hear from you in the next few days on possible amendments.

This morning we have the privilege of welcoming to this committee a new organization, as I understand it, one that has been born in the last year or so. This is the National Student Financial Aid Association and Mr. Allan Purdy, the chairman of that group, is representing it today.

STATEMENTS OF ALLAN W. PURDY, CHAIRMAN, NATIONAL STUDENT FINANCIAL AID COUNCIL; CHAIRMAN, FINANCIAL AID COMMISSION OF THE COUNCIL OF STUDENT PERSONNEL ASSOCIATIONS; DIRECTOR, STUDENT FINANCIAL AIDS, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI, COLUMBIA; AND JOHN D. JONES, DEAN OF STUDENTS, ARKANSAS A. & M. COLLEGE, SECRETARY, NATIONAL STUDENT FINANCIAL AID COUNCIL

Mrs. GREEN. Am I right that this is a new organization?

Mr. PURDY. Yes, ma'am.

Mrs. GREEN. Members have expressed their concern for many years on this subject.

Mr. PURDY. I would like to introduce Dr. John D. Jones, dean of